. . . . THE race

By STEPHEN CRANE.

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Stimson stood in a corner and glowsmall.

got fired.

His brow creased in a frown, he strode over to the huge open doors and be consoled himself by thinking of how looked at a sign. "Stimson's Mammoth unhappy he was, and by swift, furtive Merry-Go-Round," it read, and the glances at the loved face. At any rate givery of it was great. Stimson stood he was in her presence, and he could and contemplated the sign. It was an get a good view from his perch when enormous affair; the letters were as there was no interference by the little large as men. The glow of it, the sign: "Cashier." grandeur of it was very apparent to But suddenly, swiftly, these clouds tion, he shook his head thoughtfully, sky of the restored confidence, they

First thing you know, he'll get fired." A soft booming sound of surf, mingled with the cries of bathers, came day, when she, for an unknown cause from the beach. There was a vista of suddenly refused to look at him. Mosand and sky and sea that drew to a chanically, he continued his task, his mystic point far away in the north- brain dazed, a tortured victim of doubt, wed. In the mighty angle, a girl in a fear, suspicion. With his eyes he supred dress was crawling slowly like some | plicated her to telegraph an explanakind of a spider on the fabric of nature. I tion. She replied with a stony glance A few flags hung lazily above where the that froze his blood. There was a bathhouses were marshalled in com- great difference in their respective reapaot squares. Upon the edge of the sons for becoming angry. His were alsen, stood a ship with its shadowy sails ways foolish, but apparent, plain as pointed dimly upon the sky, and high the moon. Hers were subtle, feminine, overhead in the still, sun-shot air a as incomprehensible as the stars, as great hawk swung and drifted slowly. mystic as the shadows at night,

giraffes, camels, ponies, goats, glitter- that to live without each other would

with their message. There had finally become established between the two in this manner a subtle understanding and companionship. They communi-cated accurately all that they wished. The boy told his love, his reverence, his hope in the changes of the future. The girl told him that she loved him, that she did not love him, that she did not know if she loved him, that she loved

geance upon his pedestal and thrust out the basket to the children with a sture that was full of scorn for their hollow happiness, for their insecure and temporary joy. For five hours he did not once look at the girl when she was boking at him. He was going to crush her with his indifference; he was going to demonstrate that he had never been serious. However, when he narered. He was a fierce man and had in- rowly observed her in secret he discovdominable whiskers, albeit he was very cred that she seemed more blythe than was usual with her. When he found "That young tarrier," he whispered that his apparent indifference had not to himself. "He wants to quit makin' crushed her he suffered greatly. She eyes at Lizzle. This is too much of a did not love him, he concluded. If she good thing. First thing you know, he'll had loved him she would have been crushed. For two days he lived a mis erable existence upon his high perch

Samson. At the end of his contempla- vanished and under the imperial blue determinedly. "No, no," he murmured. dwelt in peace, a peace that was satis-"This is too much of a good thing, faction, a peace that, like a babe, put its trust in the treachery of the future This confidence endured until the next

Within the merry-genound there was They fell and source, and seared and a whiching circle of ornamental lions, fell in this manner until they knew

At night, the problem of whether o

buttle of the night displayed itself in

the renewed fervor of his glances and

in their increased number. Whenever

he thought he could detect that she to

young man looked back upon these con

then that he had imagined his pain

This came about when the redoubtable

Stimson marched forward to partici

light world that claitered about them

they were become so engrossed in their

personal drama that the language of

their eyes was almost as obvious as gen-tures. And Stimson, through his keen-

tion, suddenly came into possession of these obvious facts. "Well, of all the

nerves,' 'he said, regarding with a new

hesitated to grapple with a crisis. He

decided to overturn everything at once

He strode over to the silvered net-

ting. 'Say, you want to quit your

everlasting grinning at that idiot," he

She cast down her eyes and made

little heap of quarters into a stack. She was unable to withstand the terri-

ble scrutiny of her small and fleres

was suffering, he felt a thrill of joy.

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swift reflections from windows high grown so intent upon the uncertainties, above them. With stiff wooden legs, the variations, the guessings of their

they swept on in a never-ending race affair that the world had become but a

while a great orchestrion clamored in huge immaterial background. In time wild speed. The summer sunlight of peace their smiles were soft and

sprinkled its gold upon the garnet can- prayerful, caresses confided to the air.

opies carried by the tireless racers and upon all the devices of decoration that

made Stimson's machine magnificent by the intricate emotions of doubt and famous. A host of laughing chil- They were the victims of the dread

dren bestrode the animals, bending for- angel of affectionate speculation that

ward like charging cavalrymen and forces the tired brain endlessly on

to clutch at iron rings that were ten- not she loved him confronted the young

dered to them by a long wooden arm.

At the intense moment before the a hill and telling him not to delude

swift grab for the rings one could see himself. Upon the following day, this

applaise at his flying off-spring. Free tortions with contempt. He believed

to manipulate the wooden arm and ness, his wonderful, infallible penetra-

they returned all save the covered brass one which meant another ride.

He was a resolute man. He never

narrow platform, affixing for although sman, he was to an arrow platform, affixing and impetuous. He resolved to crush

this dreaming.

said, grimly.

shaking reins and whooping in glee. roads that lead nowhere,

At intervals they leaned out perilously

their little nervous bodies quiver with

eagerness; the laughter rang shrill and

excited. Down in the long rows of

benches, crowds of people sat watching

the game while occasionally a father

might arise and go near to shout en-

couragement, cautionary commands, or

quently mothers called out: "Be careful, Georgie!" The orchestrion bel-

lowed and thundered on its platform,

ous song, while over in a corner, a man

in a white apron and behind a counter

roared above the tumuit: "Pop corn!

A young man stood upon a small,

raised platform, erected in the manner

of a pulpit and just without the line of

the circling figures. It was his duty

affix the rings. When all were gone

anto the hands of the ariumphant chil-

dren, he held forth a basket, into which

brass one, which meant another ride

free and made the holder very illus-

trious. The young man stood all day

rings or holding forth the basket. He

was a sort of general squire in this

And yet Stimson, the astute, had no

found time to twist about on his plat-

form and smile at a girl who shyly sold

dickets behind a silvered notting. This, indeed, was the great reason of Stim-

Ricense to smile at the girl behind the

pilvered neiting. It was a most gigan-tic insolence. Stimson was amazed

self again, "that fellow is smiling at my daughter." Even in this tone of

great wrath it could be discerned that

Stimson was filled with wonder that

any youth should dare smile at the

daughter in the presence of the august

Often the dark-eyed girl peered be-

being detected by the young man, she usually turned her head away quickly

to prove to him that she was not in-

terested. At other times, however, her eyes seemed filled with a tender fear

lest he should fall from that exceed-

stood carelessly upon his perch, as if

plexities of his daily life and duties he

the vision behind the netting.

found opportunity to gaze ardently at

This silent courtship was conducted

over the ceads of the crowd who

young man went noiselessi; and unseen

son's glowering. The young man upon the raised platform had no manner of father.

"By jiminy," he said to him-

ticed that the young man frequently

list of childhood. He was very busy.

Pop corn!"

filling the ears with its long monoton- pate.

tives receive \$60 Japanese yen and their traveling expenses. The yen is now worth about 50 cents, so they receive him. Sometimes a little sign saying "cashier" in gold letters, and hanging upon the silvered meeting, got directly in range and interfered with a tender in reality only \$400 a year. Our congressmen, you know, receive \$5,000. The presidents of both houses receive 4,000 yen, and the emperor appoints officers of the house of peers, and he selects The love affair had not continued without anger, unhappiness, despair. The girl had once smiled brightly upon a youth who came to buy some tickets those of the house of representatives from three candidates who are elected by the house, for his little sister, and the young man upon the platform observing this smile had been filled with gloomy rage. He stood like a dark statue of ven-

All of the voting in the Japanese par llament is done in secret bailot, There is a great deal of speech-making, and the representatives grow very excited when they discuss the measures relating to the government. The emperor has the right to dissolve parliament and he has dismissed the last two houses because they seemed inclined to cut down the expenses beyond the possibilities of running the government The dissolution caused a great deal of excitement over the country, and the iew election was much feared by the administration. The country seemed to be torn up by the different factions. but this has been all done away with by the war with China, and the emperor will get all the money he wants from

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ours, and the members of the house of

peers and of the house of representa

Japan. Frank Carpenter in Chicago Herald.

NOVELTIES IN MONKEYS.

A Tribe That Is Said to Make Wine and Carry It in Jars.

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the art of making wine. A recent edition of the official history of Yungping states that lately a large body of migrating monkeys passed certain village in crossing from on mountain to another. The boys of the vilage clapped their hands and shouted at the spectacle, and the monkeys, being frightened, fled, taking their young in their arms, but dropping in their flight a number of earthen vessels, ome of which would hold a quart. Or opening these the villagers found that they contained two kinds of wine, a pink and a green, that had been madfrom mountain berries. It is affirmed that the monkeys store this liquor for use in the winter when the water is

all frozen. Dr. Macgowen cites other independ ent testimonies to similar facts, includ ing a Chinese account of monkeys is Chegang, who pound fruit in stone mortars to make wine, and he asks, "Is it likely that all these statements are pure inventions?



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inspect them in some way. He, too, was unable to face the great Stimson. For a moment, Stimson stood in great satisfaction and gloated over the effect Ingly dangerous platform. As for the young man, it was plain that these said complicently and went out to said complication. young man, it was plain that these glances filled him with valor, and he smoke a cigar and revel in himself. Through his mind went the proud rehe deemed it of no consequence that | flection that people who came in conhe might fall from it. In all the com- tact with his granite will usually ended in quick and abject submission.

(To Be Concluded.)

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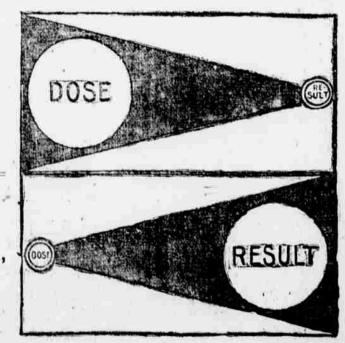
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